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Subject: Request for Extension to the Comment Period

Reference: Supplemental Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (SNPRM)  
"Improved Seats in Air Carrier Transport Category Airplanes,"  
Docket **FAA-2002-13464**, Notice No. **02-17 (67 FR 62294, October 4, 2002)**

Dear Sirs:

The Aerospace Industries Association (AIA) intends to submit comments to the referenced **SNPRM**. However, because this new proposal is **significantly** different from the rule that the FAA proposed five years ago, and because the length of time afforded for public input is substantially shorter than the time that is normally provided, AIA finds that we will require an additional four to six months in order to provide a meaningful, thorough set of comments from our member companies.

AIA considers this additional time to be justified since much of that time will be spent collecting and confirming current and valid data relative to the economic impact of the newly proposed requirements.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Hall Jones'.

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